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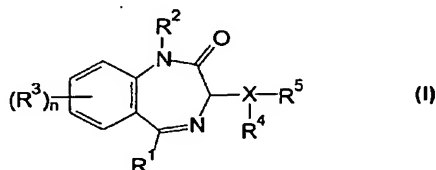
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(54) Title: **BENZODIAZEPINES FOR TREATING OR PREVENTING OR PREVENTING RSV INFECTION**



(57) Abstract: Use of a compound which is (a) a benzodiazepine derivative of the formula (I) or an N-oxide thereof or (b) a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, in the manufacture of a medicament for use in treating or preventing an RSV infection wherein: - R¹ represents C₁₋₆ alkyl, aryl or heteroaryl; - R² represents hydrogen or C₁₋₆ alkyl; each R³ is the same or different and represents halogen, hydroxy, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, C₁₋₆ alkylthio, C₁₋₆ haloalkyl, C₁₋₆ haloalkoxy, amino, mono(C₁₋₆ alkyl)amino, di(C₁₋₆ alkyl)amino, viro, cyano, -CO₂R', -CONR'R'', -NH-CO-R', -S(O)R', -S(O)₂R', -NH-S(O)₂R', -S(O)NR'R'' or -S(O)₂NR'R'', wherein each R' and R'' is the same or different and represents hydrogen or C₁₋₆ alkyl; nisfromOto3; R⁴ represents hydrogen or C₁₋₆ alkyl; X represents -CO-, -CO-NR', -S(O)- or -S(O)₂-, wherein R' is hydrogen or a C₁₋₆ alkyl group; and R⁵ represents a heteroaryl or heterocyclyl group which is substituted by a C1C6 hydroxyalkyl group or a -(C₁₋₄ alkyl)-X₁-(C₁₋₄ alkyl)-X₂-(C₁₋₄ alkyl) group, wherein X₁ represents -O-, -S- or -NR', wherein R' represents H or a C₁₋₄ alkyl group and X₂ represents -CO-, -SO- or -SO₂-, or R₅ represents -A₁-Y-A₂, wherein: - A₁ is an aryl, heteroaryl, carbocyclyl or heterocyclyl group; 25 - Y represents a direct bond or a C₁₋₄ alkylene, -SO₂-, -CO-, -O-, -S- or -NR'-moiety, wherein R' is a C₁₋₆ alkyl group; and - A₂ is an aryl, heteroaryl, carbocyclyl or heterocyclyl group.



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